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GuilfordCollege United MethodistChurch  
strives to be a vibrant Christian community  
that *transforms* lives, *strengthens* believers,  
and *equips* disciples to *live beyond ourselves*  
in the light of Jesus Christ.

*Guilford College UMC*  
*Living Beyond Ourselves*



**Save the dates:**

**Rise Against Hunger** - Saturday, February 2, 10:00 am  
We'll be packing 15,000 meals to feed people in the developing  
world. A few strong backs are needed at 9:00 am to help  
unpack the truck.



**2020 Kenya Team Interest Meeting** –  
Sunday, February 17, 12:00 pm, Hilltop Room  
People who want to explore being part of next Summer's  
return trip to Kenya are encouraged to meet with some  
previous participants.

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## Matt's note....



As many of us can recite, the mission of Guilford College UMC is to be a place where lives are transformed, believers strengthened and disciples equipped to live beyond themselves. These important steps of Christian maturing are incredibly difficult to achieve on our own. Over three Sundays in January, we'll examine Hebrews 10:19-25 and see how Christians are called to grow through the blessings of community. We're truly *Better Together*.

January 13 – “Let Us Draw Near to God.” At Christmas, we celebrated how God drew near to us in the person of Jesus. As a result of who Jesus was and what Jesus did, we can now draw close to God like never before. The book of Hebrews says that all the mysteries of heaven are ours to experience here on earth. Through private prayer and public worship we can experience great intimacy with God. These essential Christian disciplines also draw us closer to one another.

January 20 – “Let Us Not Give Up Meeting Together and Encouraging One Another.” Because we live in such an individualistic society, it's hard to imagine the world of the New Testament which hardly contained the idea of a solitary Christian believer. Instead, the Christian community shared meals, material resources and – most of all – the sort of encouragement and accountability that leads to spiritual growth. Through growth in holiness we show that Jesus' sacrifice for us was not in vain. Support and accountability in small groups were the drivers of spiritual growth in early Methodism and might be the key to our renewal today.

January 27 – “Let Us Spur One Another to Love and Good Works and Hold on to Hope.” Among the greatest blessings we can experience in Christian community is to join together in the work of God's kingdom. Whether it's chopping vegetables for Wednesday night out, welcoming children and families to Trunk or Treat or packing meals for the world's poorest people with Rise Against Hunger, there's nothing more satisfying than serving together in Christ's name. These actions will bring joy to you in the present and increase your hope about the future that God has in store for us.

## Caring

**Prayer Concerns:** David Owens, Marie Evans, Samantha Gullett, Helen Blyshak, Kent Carter, Jim Holmes, Bob Beasley, Loretta Eichhorn, Marizell Thompson, Carol Agresti; Bill Sharpe, Ruthie Deviney; Jinx Woodward; Mike Turner, Patty Elkins; Ken Sykes, Marjorie Liles, families facing storms in life, the leaders of our nation and world; flood victims, those affected by violence, and those serving in the military; hurricane victims, our sister church in Kinanduba, Kenya.



**SINCERE SYMPATHY** is expressed to Janice Kirkman and family, in the death of Janice's mother, Rachel Brawley; to Lynn Hatcher and family in the death of her father; to Debra Owens and family in the death of her mother; and to the family of Travis

Thompson, who passed away on Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>, in Denver, NC.

Blessed are they who die in Christ to live again!

Dawn Howell; Leland Missroon; Beth & Dennis Creamer; Kevin, Lisa & Grant Williams; R.J. & Summer Beasley

## Caring

**Prayer Concerns - Extended Family** Becky Babaoff, Ann Grose, John Hatcher's brother, Blair; Larry Shornack (former member), Jim Robertson; Tyson family, Betty Kirkman's granddaughter, Rachel Kirkman; Daryl Watkins' niece's family; Becky Pearce's mother, Judy Woolf; Helen Phillips' sister, Edith Thornett; Gene Briggs, Carol Ingram's brother; Robert Messer; Jennifer Sumulsi, Ellen Lancaster's friend; Louise Markle; Mildred Mallard's son, David; Kim Goldbach, friend of Tom & Sandy Riffe; Lucille Furr, Barbara Price's sister; Jeff Graham's brother, Steve; Briley Lamon, Melanie Crump's cousin Irene Fraver & Trudy Maness, Nancy Munday's mother and sister; Vicki Kidd's friend, Karl; Jeannie Howard's father, Tommy; Ybion Mlo's brother, Suan Mlo ;tornado/hurricane victims; our sister church in Kinanduba, Kenya

### **Members In Home and Senior Living Facilities:**

**Blumenthals** – Shirley Stout; **Friends Home Guilford** – Pat Kittrell, Florence Hardison, Blanche Rogers; **Friends Home West** – Betty Kirkman, Don Beam, Barbara Jones; Walter & Esther Jones - **Pennybyrn** – Pat Francisco, Roland Sasseville; **Greensboro Retirement Center** - Y'Wing Enuol; **Richland Place** – Mike Dawkins, **Whitestone** – Laura Tew **Abbottswood** – Dot Brogan, Cletis Richard, Jim Wilson **Heritage Green** – Ellen Lancaster, Gay Fischer; Anne Mullis; **Brookdale, High Point** – Jean Wilson, George Holmes; **Brighton Gardens** - Jean & Harry Tangen; Walter Zur; **Well Spring** – Barbara Ebert, Lib Connell; **In Home** – Terri Hastings, Chris Perkins, Barbara Leadbetter

### **OUR GUESTS IN WORSHIP**

**Dec. 30:** Roy & Elaine Drum; Li Luo; Tina Bell Midgett; Beth & Dennis Creamer; Rebecca Babaoff; Margaret Griffin; Kaitlyn Frazier; Shirley Cox; John & Barbara Blust; Toni & Carrie Mazzatenta; Charlie Henson; Joyce Mitchell; Tom Waynick; Carol Fallon; Jeff, Lauren & Lindsay McRae; Grace Murphy; Lona Shockley & Caleb Rice; Marlin & Anna Jones-Foster

**Jan. 6:** Andrew Strauss; Roben & Bob Burnett; Nancie Crobb; Hannah Matthews; Kim Rylan; Charles & Katherine Forbes; Tom Maddox; Margaret Griffin; Charlie Henson; Joyce Mitchell; Tom Waynick; Bryan & Deann Gilliam; Jackie Hardcastle; Jeff, Lauren & Lindsay McRae; Lauren Blackwell; Li Luo; Becky & Dwight Thomas; Jackie Dougherty; Rebecca Babaoff;

## Connecting



### **Munch, munch, munch—Snacks Needed!!!**

We will be assembling Valentine's Day care packages for our congregation's college students and need some munchie snacks!! We will be preparing around 45 care

packages. I have heard from several students about how nice it is to get mail from home, and even better, snacks to munch on during study times!! If you would like to help with this, please put your items in the Foundations Sunday School Classroom in the box marked "College Care Packages" **by Sunday, January 27.** Great items to donate are granola/cereal bars, packages of Nabs—crackers, cookies, etc., gummy fruit snacks, chewing gum, Valentine candy, Ramen, microwave popcorn, hot chocolate, INDIVIDUAL sized chips, or anything else you think would be good for a snack! Along with nourishing their bodies, we will send an inspirational note to help nourish their spirit! Thank you!

### **Interested in the writing of C.S. Lewis?**

Dr. Michael Gehring will be here on **Wednesday Night, Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>**, after WNO to share insights into what C.S. Lewis had to say about Christianity and what it means to be a follower of Christ. Dr. Gehring earned his D. Min. from SMU, and a PhD. From the University of Manchester, with emphasis on Evangelism and Lewis. He authored The Oxbridge Evangelist: Motivations, Practices, and Legacy of S.C. Lewis. His recent book: As Broken Lines Become One, will be available next month. You don't want to miss this one!

## Connecting

### **SENIOR PROM**

All senior adults are invited to come on **Tuesday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, at 11:30 am** in the Rock for a covered dish luncheon and program. Since February is Heart Month, our program will be on Heart Health, and will

be presented by heart experts from Cone Health. Special emphasis will be given to warning signs of heart attacks in women.

Senior adults are invited to attend, bring a covered dish to share and invite someone to come with you to enjoy good food and fellowship

## Connecting

### Wednesday Night Out

5:30-6:30 pm

**Cost: Adults \$5.00, Child \$3.00,  
\$15 max per family**

#### January 16

BBQ Chicken, Macaroni & Cheese, Corn, Rolls, Salad Bar, Dessert – Apple Cobbler, Ice Cream  
**Volunteer Group: Christian Fellowship Class**

#### January 23

Roasted Pork Loin, Sweet Potatoes, Rice/Gravy  
Salad Bar, Dessert - Brownies  
**Volunteer Group: New Growth & Friends & Family**

Contact Janet Shepherd, [jjanetshep@aol.com](mailto:jjanetshep@aol.com) or #336-312-1924.

Space is limited and reservations must be made by March 1, 2019. Trip is sponsored by Shepherd's Center.

## Learning



### **NEW LIFE GROUP MINISTRY LAUNCH**

Are you seeking to grow closer to Christ and would like the support of

fellow seekers as you travel this faith journey? We are introducing a new small group (6-10 member) ministry that is designed to provide that support and serve as a place to share with each other the joys and struggles of life, thus the name, Life Group.

To provide you with the details of this Life Group ministry there will be 45 min. information sessions scheduled on Sundays, Jan. 20 & 27 in the sanctuary at the end of the 8:45 and the 11:00 services. There will also be a session held on Wednesday, Jan. 23 at 6:15pm in room B6. Come learn about this exciting New Ministry at GCUMC for all adults.

### **NEW Bible Discovery Class** on Sunday mornings!

Join us starting on January 6 as we begin a new year looking into God's Word. We are looking forward to a fresh look at understanding God's message of love and grace. We intend to start *In the beginning* and follow connections from story to story. The ultimate goal is to discern an intended application from God's Word and to align our thinking with that of our Creator. All are encouraged to participate; the more you bring, the more we all take away.



**Preschool Registration begins January 29-February 1, 2019 (Current families, church families)**

**Registration – Open to the Public – February 1-8, 2019**

**Programs Available:** Ages 13 mos.-Pre-Kindergarten  
2,3 or 5 day Classes Offered

Lunch Time Provided (Lunch brought from home. Peanut-free)

Low Child/Teacher Ratio

Contact: Denisa LeHeup, Director, 336-294-6730 or [dleheup@guilfordcollegeumc.org](mailto:dleheup@guilfordcollegeumc.org)

***Please refer your family, friends and neighbors to our fun-loving Preschool!***



### **JOHN PART 2 - THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD**

From Chapters 7-11, learn to walk in Jesus as the Light of the World, and your relationship with Him will become more intimate.

Study Book \$18

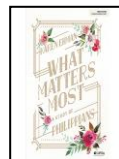
Leader: Donna Ford, [dford@guilfordcollegeumc.org](mailto:dford@guilfordcollegeumc.org)  
Wednesday mornings – January 16-March 13 – 9:30-11:30 am – Room A OR Wednesday evenings – January 16-March 13 – 6:30-8:30 pm – Room A4

### Day Trip to Wytheville, VA Dinner Theatre

Date: **Tuesday, April 23, 2019**

Show: **"Back to the 50's"**

Cost: **\$99.00** (includes transportation, lunch, show & gratuity)



### **WHAT MATTERS MOST BIBLE STUDY**

The world has always been full of trials, disappointments, temptations, fractured friendships, and financial hardships. Yet Paul's letter to the Philippians claims we can discover contentment and joy in the midst of it

all by prioritizing what matters most - Christ.

Over 7 sessions, study the ever-relevant Letter of

Philippians to deepen your relationship with Jesus, turn your worries into worship, and develop gospel-centered tools for navigating relational conflict and thriving in Christian love. Study Book \$13  
 Leaders: Sara Hardin and Susan Jenkins, [hardinx4@bellsouth.net](mailto:hardinx4@bellsouth.net)  
 Wednesday mornings – January 9-April 3 (every other week) – 9:30-11:30 am – Room B6

**On Christmas Eve, we received more than \$14,500 for Kenya Mission and Community Housing Solutions. More than \$3,500 was received for the Eastern NC Mission project through the Giving Tree. Thanks to everyone who contributed!**

## Learning

Jesus was in a small group.



Life change happens in small groups

### **NEW SUNDAY MORNING GROUP**

If one of your New Year's Resolutions is to grow spiritually or you want to develop closer personal relationships, come check

out the new Messiah's Misfits Sunday School class, which launches on **January 6** in Room B5 (Middle Building). If you sometimes feel like a "misfit" (someone whose behavior or attitude sets them apart from others), this class is for you! This class will study God's Word, build relationships among the members, and explore ways to carry God's light outside the church walls. Expect authentic discussions as we form a small group to journey through life together as a community. Leaders are:

Vita Aliood: [vita.alligood@gmail.com](mailto:vita.alligood@gmail.com) or 336-253-7569;  
 David Guion: [dmquion@gmail.com](mailto:dmquion@gmail.com) or 336-288-4660; and  
 Sara Hardin: [hardinx4@bellsouth.net](mailto:hardinx4@bellsouth.net) or 336-554-5183.

### **SCHOLARSHIPS NEEDED FOR CHILDREN and YOUTH**

Please consider donating to the church's scholarship fund. Our scholarship funds allow children and youth the opportunity to attend events, camps and other trips which they otherwise would not experience without the financial support. Donations may be deposited in the offering plate on Sunday mornings or directed to the church office. Please indicate the intent of your donation to either the **Education Scholarship Fund** (children up through grade 6) or **Youth Scholarship Fund** (grades 7-12) . Thank you for supporting children and youth!!!)



## Serving

Thanks for the phenomenal response to our request for Jefferson Elementary classroom volunteers. Nearly 30 people have committed to an hour a week as an expression of Christian love. We hope to share your projected assignment with you soon and to get into the classrooms this month.

### **Y'Suan Mlo and Family**

For many years, we have been praying for Y'Suan Mlo and family. Y'Suan is a Montagnard refugee from the Vietnamese government living covertly in another Asian country. More than anything, Y'Suan wishes to bring his wife and two daughters to join other family in the U.S. Y'Suan's brothers, Y'Bion and Levi, are members of our church.

Near the end of 2018, we transferred some money from the church to help Y'Suan Mlo relocate to safer housing. The family's new residence is close to a Christian church that's offering them a measure of protection. The Mlos were able to celebrate Christmas in worship for the first time in many years. They also were lucky to relocate to a place where Y'Suan could fish. After years with very little meat, Sally, emailed to say how grateful her family is for our support.

## HONORARIUMS

In Honor of Diane Derrick

*David Robertson*

In Honor of Patty Elkins

*Bob and Jimmy Stimpson*

In Honor of Dot Forsythe

*Cindy Jarrett-Pulliam*

In Honor of Ann Grose

*David Robertson*

In Honor of the Christian Fellowship Class

*Jack and Nancy Vanstony*

In Honor of January Birthdays for

Nancy Coley, Barbara Ebert, Debra Efird, Trace Quate, Mark Quate, Bill Soper, Michael Soper, Sue Stanfield

*Vicki Kidd*

### OUR ATTENDANCE

December 23, 2018

Worship.....491.  
 (8:45 – 149..... 11:00 – 342)

December 30, 2018

Worship.....326



(8:45 – 70.....11:00 – 256)  
**January 6, 2019**  
 Worship.....422  
 (8:45 – 117.....11:00 – 305)

used in Sunday worship, please sign up by the date on the calendar.

**Calendar for Jan. 13-26, 2018**

**Sunday, Jan. 13**  
 8:45 am Early Worship  
 9:45 am Learning Groups  
 11:00 am Worship  
 1:30 pm Bunong Worship Service (A3)

**Monday, Jan. 14**  
 7:30 pm Narcotics Anonymous (FH & Rock)

**Tuesday, Jan. 15**  
 10:00 am Sarah Circle (Rock)  
 6:30 pm Church Council (C1)

**Wednesday, Jan. 16**  
 9:30 am John, Part 2 Study (A4)  
 5:25-5:50 pm Joyful Noise Choir (C14)  
 5:30-6:30 pm WNO (FH)  
 6:00-6:30 pm Jubilee Kids Choir (C14)  
 6:30-7:30 pm Children's Small Group (C11,C15)  
 6:30-7:30 pm Youth Small Groups (D hallway)  
 6:30-8:00 pm John Part 2 (A4)  
 6:30-7:30 pm Women's Bible Study Group (A6)  
 7:00-8:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, Jan. 17**  
 10:00 am HUGS Shawl Ministry (A6)  
 6:30 pm Staff Parish Committee (A4)  
 7:00 pm New Direction Nar-Anon (Rock)

**Sunday, Jan. 20**  
 8:45 am Early Worship  
 9:30 am Confirmation (D4)  
 9:45 am Learning Groups  
 11:00 am Worship  
 1:30 pm Bunong Worship Service (A3)  
 5:30 pm UMYF (FH, Rock)

**Monday, Jan. 21**  
 7:00 pm Narcotics Annoymous (FH)

**Tuesday, Jan. 22**  
 7:00 pm Handbells

**Wednesday, Jan. 23**  
 9:30 am John, Part 2 Study (A4)  
 9:30 am "What Matters Most Stuidy" (V6)  
 5:25-5:50 pm Joyful Noise Choir (C14)  
 5:30-6:30 pm WNO (FH)  
 6:00-6:30 pm Jubilee Choir (C14)  
 6:30-7:30 pm Children's Small Group (C11-C15)  
 6:30-7:30 pm Youth Small Groups (D hallway)  
 6:30-8:00 pm John Part 2 Study (4)  
 6:30-7:30 pm Women's Bible Study Group (A6)  
 7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, Jan. 24**  
 12:00 pm UMW Executive Committee (A10)  
 7:00 pm New Directions Nar-Anon (Rock)

**MEMORIALS**

**In Memory of Rachel Brawley**

*Jim and Nancy Baity  
 Richard and Nancy Blackwelder  
 Harold and Mary Eagle  
 Charlie and Loretta Eichhorn  
 Sarah Gorham  
 Bobby and Minerva Heavner  
 Carol Ingram  
 Martha Johnson  
 Tyrone and Carolyn McDuffie  
 Marion McNeal  
 Heather Myers  
 New Beginnings Class  
 Austin and Helen Phillips  
 John and Helen Stone  
 Steve and Tina Sumner  
 Jack and Nancy Vanstory  
 Mary Wall*

**In Memory of Beth Carter**

*Randy and Lynne Beck  
 Donna Bowman  
 Jim and Janice Caskie  
 Mike and Ellie Dawkins  
 Taylor Doggett  
 Jim and Crystal Drum  
 Harold and Mary Eagle  
 Charlie and Loretta Eichhorn  
 Linda Evans  
 Brent and Symone Gentry  
 Sarah Gorham  
 Keith and Pat Gunn  
 Bobby and Minerva Heavner  
 Barbara Jones  
 Vicki Kidd  
 Wes and Janice Kirkman  
 Tyrone and Carolyn McDuffie  
 Marion McNeal  
 Mildred Mallard  
 Len and Sandra Myers  
 New Beginnings Class  
 Austin and Helen Phillips  
 Emogene Stewart  
 Bob and Jimmy Stimpson  
 Mary Wall  
 Terry and Joe Ann Weatherford  
 Margaret Woodrum  
 Derek and Robin Young*

**In Memory of Edna and George Derrick**

*Scott & Debbie Hancock  
 David Robertson*

**2019 FLOWER CALENDAR**

The calendar for 2019 for Altar flower sign up is posted on the bulletin board outside the church office. If you would like to donate flowers to be

In Memory of Rev. J.C. Grose  
*David Robertson*

In Memory of Bonnie Waynick  
*Scott and Debbie Hancock*

July 28-August 3  
Sun-Sat; residential camp in Hendersonville,  
NC

### MLK CELEBRATION

The Western NC Conference of the UMC is having its annual MLK, Jr. Celebration on Saturday, January 19, at University City UMC in Charlotte. Bill Curry, a retired pro football player and college football coach who is now a motivational speaker, will deliver the keynote address. Inspiring worship led by Bishop Paul Leeland, multi-ethnic presentations and choirs, and a lunchtime discussion of how to keep Dr. King's dream alive will round out the gathering. A group will meet at GCUMC at 8:00 am to carpool or take a church van and return around 3:30 pm that afternoon. If you would like to attend, let Pastor Matt know at 336-292-5833 or [msmith@guilfordcollegeumc.org](mailto:msmith@guilfordcollegeumc.org).

## Serving

### Volunteers for January 13, 2019

#### 8:45 service

Lay Reader: Val Follo

Ushers: Larry Glover, Captain; Bob Beasley, Ron Frazier,  
Tyrone McDuffie, David Saunders, Terry  
Weatherford, Terry Wert, Derek Young

Stephen Minister: John Hanner

#### 11:00 service

Lay Reader: Hank Bullard

Children's Worship Shepherds: Livi Gray, Levi or  
Liana Adrong Mlo

Acolytes: Zac Wall, Collin Hicks

Stephen Minister: Becky Archer

Ushers: Jim Drum, Captain; Phil Black, Mark Gorham,  
David Grove, Paul Ingram, Andy Manry,  
Tom Patterson, Michael Stone, Larry Strader

Counters:

Van Drivers: Heidi Cohen, Terry Weatherford

Altar Guild (Jan. 7-13): Janet Owens, Peggy Atkins

### Volunteers for January 20, 2019

#### 8:45 service:

Lay Reader: Lynne Beck

Ushers: Larry Glover, Captain; Bob Beasley,  
Ron Frazier, Tyrone McDuffie, David Saunders,  
Terry Weatherford, Terry Wert, Derek Young

Stephen Minister: Tom Southerland

#### 11:00 service

Lay Reader: Debbie Inman

Acolytes: Ryan Patterson, Nic Turner

Children's Worship Shepherds: Mike or Amy Moriarty,  
Chris or Jodi Knox

Stephen Minister: Nancy Munday

Ushers: Jim Drum, Captain; Phil Black, Mark Gorham,  
David Grove, Paul Ingram, Andy Manry,  
Tom Patterson, Michael Stone, Larry Strader

Counters:

Van Drivers: Ben Garner, Heidi Cohen

Altar Guild: (Jan. 14-20): Donna Steele, Sandra Pearman



### **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY SUMMER 2019 DATES**

#### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

Age 3 (as of June 1) through completed  
Grade 5

June 23-27, 2019

Sun-Thur evenings; 5:15-8:30 pm

#### **CAMP GUILROCK EARLY ELEMENTARY CAMP**

Current Grade K through Grade 3  
July 8-12

Mon-Fri; 8:00 am-3:00 pm (camp) plus after  
camp option 3:00-5:30 pm

#### **CAMP TEKOA RESIDENTIAL CAMP**

Current Grade 3 through Grade 6